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SUBJ: KOREA AT THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AND 30TH UNGA

REF: STATE 186527; RABAT 2545

1. IN CONVERSATION AUGUST 8, ROK AMB CHOI COMMENTED ON MOROCCAN ATTITUDE TOWARD KOREAN MEMBERSHIP IN NAC AND UN. (CHOI HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN KOREA'S UN AFFAIRS, ATTENDING MUCH OF LAST UNGA, AND BELIEVES HE COULD BE TAPPED FOR LIMA.)

2. ON NAC, CHOI INDICATED THAT MOROCCAN ATTITUDE TOWARD ROK CONTINUED TO BE SYMPATHETIC AND SUPPORTIVE. HOWEVER, MOROCCAN CO-SPONSORSHIP OF ROK ADMISSION SEEMED QUESTIONABLE, IN HIS VIEW. CUBA'S ADMISSION TO NAC, HE COMMENTED, WAS FURTHER COMPLICATION WHICH HAD CONSIDERABLY CONFUSED DEFINITION OF NON-ALIGNED STATE. HE ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT ISSUE OF DISSOLUTION OF UN COMMAND IN KOREA COULD DETRACT FROM ROK'S NAC CAMPAIGN.

3. CHOI WELCOMED U.S. APPROACH TO KOREA'S UN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (STATE 187145). HE THOUGHT MOROCCANS WOULD SUPPORT ROK ON RESOLUTION TO BE
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INTRODUCED IN UNGA INVITING SECURITY COUNCIL TO

RECONSIDER ITS VOTE. HERE AGAIN, HOWEVER, CHOI SAW MOROCCAN CO-SPONSORSHIP AS QUESTIONABLE. HE HOPED TO SEE FONMIN LARAKI ON LATTER'S RETURN FROM VACATION TO TRY TO FIRM UP GOM SUPPORT. HE THOUGHT, HOWEVER, THAT GOM'S POSITION ON CO-SPONSORSHIP LIKELY TO REMAIN OPEN FOR PRESENT AND WOULD NO DOUBT BE DECIDED IN LIGHT OF SUPPORT MOROCCO RECEIVES ON SAHARA ISSUE. ATTITUDE OF MODERATE ARABS, PARTICULARLY SAUDI ARABIA, ALSO IMPORTANT FACTOR IN GOM'S THINKING, IN CHOI'S OPINION. CHOI SAID HE WOULD KEEP EMBASSY INFORMED RE HIS EFFORTS WITH GOM, AND DID NOT INDICATE DESIRE FOR HELP VIS-A-VIS MOROCCANS AT THIS STAGE.
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